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To Interested Agencies and Persons:

AMENDED WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS FOR DISPOSAL/REUSE OF CONTAMINATED SOILS AND OTHER NONHAZARDOUS WASTES AT LANDFILLS WITHIN THE LOS ANGELES REGION (FILE NOS. 57-220, 58-076, 60-090, 60-117, 60-118, 63-082, 67-020, 69-091, 72-030, 72-035)

You are hereby informed that staff of the Land Disposal Unit at the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Los Angeles Region (Regional Board) is developing a tentative order to amend waste discharge requirements (WDRs) for active municipal solid waste (MSW) landfills in the Region (i.e., Calabasas, Chiquita Canyon, Pebbly Beach, Puente Hills, Savage Canyon, Scholl Canyon, Simi Valley, Burbank, Sunshine Canyon, and Toland Road landfills) to clarify and update requirements for the disposal and on-site reuse of contaminated soils and other non-hazardous wastes. Significant changes proposed in individual WDRs include:

- Revised requirements for the disposal and on-site reuse of petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soils. Note that when the existing individual WDRs are revised, Regional Board General Order No. 91-93 (*General Waste Discharge Requirements for Discharge of Non-Hazardous Contaminated Soils and Other Wastes in Los Angeles and Santa Clara River Basins*) may be terminated. Termination of General Order No. 91-93 will be appropriate at that time because the general order's disposal limits have not been evaluated since 1991, limits for commonly associated waste constituents (volatile organic compounds, semi-volatile organic compounds, organochlorine pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls, and metals) are not included, and allowance for the reuse of contaminated soils at the landfill sites, consistent with requirements in title 27 of the California Code of Regulations is not addressed. Once new requirements have been incorporated into WDRs for active MSW landfills, staff plans to propose termination of Regional Board Order 91-93.
- Updated requirements for the protection of surface water quality for active MSW landfills that propose to reuse contaminated soils and related wastes (green waste, sludge and sludge-derived materials, ash and cement kiln dust materials, treated auto shredder waste, contaminated dredge spoils, foundry sands, energy resource exploration and production wastes, compost materials, processed construction and demolition wastes and materials, shredded tires, spray applied cementitious products) as part of landfill environmental control or operation systems.

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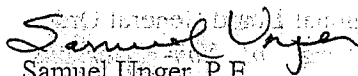
The proposed schedule to develop and adopt the tentative order is as follows:

Informational Public workshop	October 6, 2010
Tentative order mailed to interested persons	November 15, 2010 (tentative)
Public comment period	November 15, 2010 to January 3, 2011 (tentative)
Public workshop	December 1, 2010 (as necessary)
Board meeting hearing	February 2011

In keeping with the project schedule, Regional Board staff will hold an informational public workshop to discuss the tentative WDRs on October 6, 2010, 1:00 P.M., at the Regional Board office located at 320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200, Los Angeles, California, 90013. Interested persons are strongly recommended to attend the workshop. The informational workshop is being held in advance of the release of the tentative WDRs to allow landfill operators and interested persons ample opportunity for input during the development of the tentative WDRs. Written comments regarding the tentative WDRs based on information presented during the informational workshop are welcome by October 20, 2010, in order to be evaluated by Regional Board staff prior to the release of the tentative WDRs.

Please contact Dr. Enrique Casas, project manager, at (213) 620-2299 or the Unit Chief, Dr. Wen Yang at (213) 620-2253 to indicate your attendance at the workshop, and/or request that any additional persons be included on the mailing list for this project.

Sincerely,


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Executive Officer

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